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In response to the Office Action mailed May 17, 1999, please consider the following remarks:

REMARKS

Claims 10-16 and 21-30 are pending in this application.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103

The Examiner rejects claims 10-16 and 21-27 under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over Lang, U.S. Patent No. 5,164,839,